

<u>FIG. 1</u>

Legend to Figure 1

Scheme I: Bases = purines or pyrimidines, optionally appropriately protected; R = Benzoyl (Bz), acetyl (Ac), monomethoxytrityl (mMTr), or tert-butyldiphenylsilyl

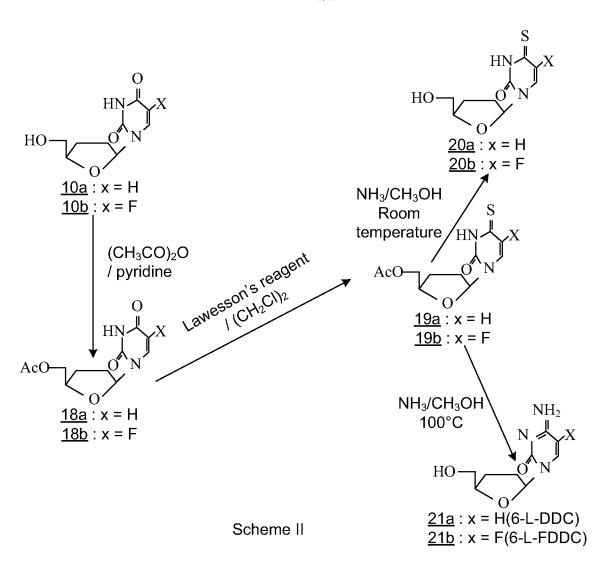


FIG. 2